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The Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations (Vienna), with reference to its notes verbales of 4 May 2017 (A/AC.105/1150), 8 December 2017 (A/AC.105/1150/Add.1) and 26 March 2018 (A/AC.105/1150/Add.2), has the honour to provide the following notification with respect to the re-entry into the atmosphere of the space laboratory Tiangong-1.

According to the monitoring and analysis carried out, Tiangong-1 re-entered the atmosphere at around 0815 hours (UTC+8) on 2 April 2018, with the re-entry point located in the central region of the South Pacific Ocean, and most parts of Tiangong-1 burned up in the course of its re-entry into the atmosphere. Before the re-entry of Tiangong-1 into the atmosphere, China issued timely and frequent forecasts for the re-entry time and re-entry area through the official website of the China Manned Space Engineering Programme (www.cmse.gov.cn). After the completion of the re-entry was confirmed, China immediately released information in that regard through the Xinhua News Agency and the official website of the China Manned Space Engineering Programme.

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